## Jolly Boys Outing - Lancaster - 8th. June 2017

## Pubs

- 1. Sir Richard Owen, 4, Spring Garden St., LA1 1RQ. 01524541500. Wetherspoons. Exit 1100 go left up to next road (Penny Street) and go left to:-
- 2. Brown Cow, 4 Penny Street, Lancaster, LA1 1XF. (01524) 66474. 1100 2400. 3 Regular beers Thwaites. Food 11.05-11.40. Right out of the pub and down Penny St. to no.3.
- 3. Apothecary (formerly Lanky's Lounge), 52 Penny Street, Lancaster, LA1 1XX. Opens 11.30. (Though it was open at 11.10 on the recce.)(01524) 555999. A 1960s building recently run as a dimly-lit cocktail bar with all-night opening. Acquired Nov 2016 by a licensee from another pub in town who has attempted to import the ethos of his old pub notably real ale, daily music and free food. It will be interesting to watch how this hybrid evolves. 2 changing beers more promised. Turn right out of pub and go down Penny Street. 11.42-12.20
- 4. Sun, 63 Church Street, Lancaster, LA1 1ET. 1100 2400 (01524) 66006, thesunhotelandbar.co.uk. 5 Changing beers Lancaster, Thwaites. Completely altered in 2004 and then extended next door in early 2005. 12.35-13.15-Food. Back down to and left into Bridge Lane then via cobbled passage just at the corner to:-
- 5. Three Mariners, (formerly Carpenter's Arms), Bridge Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1EE Commonly claimed to be the oldest pub in Lancaster. It certainly looks old, inside as well as out and many of the beams and stones are old. Built into the side of Castle Hill, the cellar is excavated at first-floor level. The strip of cobbles at the front and the nearby grassy areas are occupied by tables for drinkers. The pub is now a popular watering hole with a thriving local clientele, and is involved with the maritime section of the Lancaster Music Festival in October. 13.20-13.50.
- 6. Merchant's (also known as 1688 Merchants; Merchants 1688), 29 Castle Hill, Lancaster, LA1 1YN. 1130. Converted wine-merchants cellars built in 1688 and an extensive outdoor drinking area create a peaceful haven from the hubbub of the city centre. The main drinking areas are in three separate 'tunnels' with a fourth forming the entrance and bar area. Quiz night on Sundays. Look out for the stoneware bottles used in the construction of the cellar walls. House beer "Castle Blonde" brewed by Old School. Many board games available. Live music every Saturday eve. Serves 7 changing beers. 14.00Till End.



